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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: SSCI Personnel Review Team [REDACTED]

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1. On 15 October 1986 SSCI personnel review team members Charles Battaglia, John Despres, John Elliff, Merrill Kelly and Natalie Bocock visited [REDACTED] of discussions on the Agency and DOD personnel training conducted there. They were accompanied by [REDACTED] Deputy Director of Personnel for Policy, Analysis and Evaluation and the undersigned.

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2. [REDACTED] greeted them on their arrival and briefed them on the facility. He gave them details on the cover, mission, staff, non-operations use and budget. He mentioned that the age of some of the principal buildings will require significant capital investment in the near future.

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3. [REDACTED] Training Division, presented a comprehensive run down on the courses [REDACTED]. He explained each course in detail and discussed the rationale for the content of each course. He said that he makes an aggressive effort to get the best qualified instructors and that he has the support of the DDO in this effort. [REDACTED] introduced several of his instructors who joined the staffers for informal conversations at a buffet lunch.

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4. Following lunch, at the request of the SSCI staffers, the instructors met for an additional hour with the staffers on a one on one basis for further discussions. John Elliff and Merrill Kelly met with the chief of the military branch, who gave them a detailed run down on the courses that are given to the military.

5. The final item on the agenda was a demonstration of the kinds of explosives that terrorists use against targets such as US personnel stationed abroad. It showed them very graphically how simple it is to construct a bomb and how devastating they can be. Following the demonstration the

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group departed for Washington. The staffers requested
copies of a few of the viewgraphs [redacted]
briefing and commented that the visit was most informative
and useful.

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